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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This paper is responsive to an Office action dated August 23, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire September 23, 2005.

#### Election of Invention

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, the undersigned hereby provisionally elects Group I, pending claims 1-17 and 34-49 with traverse.

Applicant respectfully submits that the classification of the Group II claims into subclass 185.13 appears somewhat arbitrary or at best somewhat discretionary, and no more proper than classification into subclass 185.17 (with the Group I claims). Moreover, the definition of subclass 185.13 appears to include subject matter that are not recited limitations of the Group  $\Pi$ independent claim. As a result, withdrawal of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested, thereby proceeding with the examination of all pending claims.

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